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The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on May 26, 2004 and April 18, 2001 was filed before the mailing date of the Examiner's Answer on August 17, 2007. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement has been considered by the examiner. The application is still in under appeal.

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